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Jan. 20, 2000

Mr. John Berry, Asst. Interior Secretary
Department of Interior
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Berry,

Your abrasive Office of Hawaiian Affairs inspired audiences were not dedicated to the betterment of the Hawaiian people. Their naive desire was to scream so loud for Sovereignty without any restrictions, that money and lands would be forthcoming. They would do far better to promote education to become competitive in the world job market.

Hopefully the appointment of the new CEO for the Bishop Estate, Hamilton McCubbin who will emphasize Outreach (as recommended by the interim Board) is a major step in the right direction. This should help the 47,000 students in addition to the 3,500 at the Kamehameha School now.

In addition the new OHA Chairman Clayton Hee brings reason to the organization by stating "there is no good in making enemies". Even his respect for Harold "Freddy" Rice for standing up for his principles is a step in the right direction.

I am enclosing a few reasons why you should not be stampeded by the sovereignty movement.

**The OHA
you met,
did not
represent
Hawaii**

Trask doesn't speak for most Hawaiians

In response to the negative and derogatory comments by Office of Hawaiian Affairs trustee Mililani Trask, we here at Hui No Ke Ola Pono, the Native Hawaiian Health System, serving the island of Maui, wish to state that Trask's remarks, statements and opinions were unfortunate.

They do not reflect the attitudes and opinions of Hui No Ke Ola Pono, its staff and the majority of the Native Hawaiian community.

Hui No Ke Ola Pono acknowledges the enormous support both Sen. Dan Inouye and his office have provided for Native Hawaiian issues in Washington, D.C. From education to housing and health care, Inouye has been at the forefront in bringing to light the plight of Native Hawaiians to his colleagues in the Senate and to the various administrations.

It is more than fair to say that without Inouye and his office's efforts, many programs benefiting Native Hawaiians, and Hawaii as a whole, would not have materialized.

We wish to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude for Inouye's help and support for Native Hawaiian health issues here on Maui and throughout Hawaii.

Herbert A.K. Campos
President
Board of Directors

Every indigenous group feels that they are special. Personally, I feel more sympathy for the five Indian tribes who were expelled from the East, to the Oklahoma Indian Territory in 1834, only to then have their new lands forcibly repurchased in 1889, and placed on reservations.

I even have more empathy for the American citizens of Japanese ancestry that were forced off their lands & homes and placed into internment camps.

Most native Hawaiian leaders can not agree how much Sovereignty we need, if any. Practically none have asserted what benefits and positive measures they would take with the assets given them.

Respectfully submitted,
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Hawaiians and blood quantum

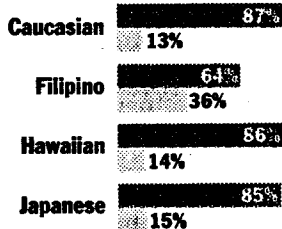
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Comparisons by ethnicity

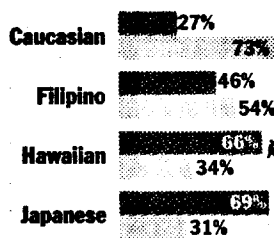
Q. Please tell me how often you feel fortunate.

- Most or some of the time
- Just occasionally or almost never



Q. Five years after graduating from high school, do you believe you will live in Hawaii, on the Mainland or somewhere else?

- Live in Hawaii
- Live on Mainland or elsewhere, plus don't know/refused



2/3 of Hawaiian youth will sell the Assets you give them, and move to the west Coast!